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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, DECEMBER 10, 1999

APPLICATION OF

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

CASE NO. PUE990717

To revise its fuel factor pursuant
to § 56-249.6 of the Code of Virginia

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME IN WHICH TO FILE REPLY

On November 17, 1999, this Commission entered an order allowing any person, on or before November 24, 1999, to file comments regarding the issues of confidential and/or competitively sensitive information raised in Virginia Electric and Power Company's ("Virginia Power" or "Company") October 21, 1999, Motion for Protective Order in this case. Virginia Power was given until December 1, 1999, to reply to the Commission Staff's November 10, 1999, Response to Motion for Protective Order and any comments filed on November 24, 1999. The time limit for Virginia Power's reply was subsequently extended until December 8, 1999.

On that date, Virginia Power filed a Motion for Extension of Time in which to File Reply ("Motion"). In its Motion, Virginia Power stated that the Company, the Commission Staff, the Office of the Attorney General, and the Virginia Committee for Fair Utility Rates continue to be actively engaged in

settlement discussions on issues concerning the treatment of confidential information in this proceeding and have made significant progress in these discussions. The Company asserted that additional time may lead to a stipulation between the aforementioned parties that may obviate the need for Commission resolution of many of the issues raised in the Commission Staff's November 10, 1999, Response. Virginia Power further represented that the Commission Staff, the Office of the Attorney General, and the Virginia Committee for Fair Utility Rates do not object to the requested extension.

NOW, upon consideration, we find that we should grant Virginia Power's Motion for Extension of Time in which to File Reply. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) Virginia Electric and Power Company's December 8, 1999, Motion for Extension of Time in which to File Reply hereby is granted. Virginia Power shall have until December 15, 1999, in which to file its reply.

(2) This matter is continued generally.